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In re Application of Neev and Konoplev Application No. 09/878,002

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: 37 CFR 1.47

Filed: June 8, 2001

Attorney Docket No. YBE1-BQ62 For: METHOD AND APPARA

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR TISSUE TREATMENT AND

MODIFICATION

This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) filed December 7, 2001.

The petition is granted.

Petitioner has shown that the non-signing inventor cannot be located.

The above-identified application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(a). This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status.

As provided in Rule 1.47(c), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the nonsigning inventor at the address given in the petition. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

As a courtesy, a search of the internet was performed in an attempt to locate Oleg Konoplev. The result indicates that the inventor *may* reside at 3212 Wood Stream Lane, Ellicott City, MD, 21042-2242.

After this decision is mailed, the file will be returned to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for further processing.

Telephone inquiries should be directed to Petitions Attorney Steven Brantley at (703) 306-5683.

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Dear Mr. Konoplev:

You are named as a joint inventor in the above identified United States patent application, filed under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 116 (United States Code), and 37 CFR 1.47(a), Rules of Practice in Patent Cases. Should a patent be granted on the application you will be designated therein as a joint inventor.

As a named inventor you are entitled to inspect any paper in the file wrapper of the application, order copies of all or any part thereof (at a prepaid cost per 37 CFR 1.19) or make your position of record in the application. Alternatively, you may arrange to do any of the preceding through a registered patent attorney or agent presenting written authorization from you. If you care to join the application, counsel of record (see below) would presumably assist you. Joining in the application would entail the filing of an appropriate oath or declaration by you pursuant to 37 CFR 1.63.

Requests for information regarding your application should be directed to the File Information Unit at (703)308-2733. Information regarding how to pay for and order a copy of the application, or a specific paper in the application, should be directed to Certification Division at (703)308-9726 or 1(800)972-6382 (outside the Washington D.C. area).

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